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Grannies come in many sizes,
And they give us funny surprises!
Did you know my granny juggles?
With her, I like to snuggle!



A great spotter of things is she,
She's not one to let things be!
An expert at tossing everything in sight,
People around get quite a fright!



Kitchens, office, the street or the market,
She juggles everywhere and cannot stop it!
It's hard for her to check herself,
No one dares to offer her help!



Umbrellas and glasses go flying in the air,
Spoiltsports now begin to stare!
Juicy mangoes land with a splash,
Grandfather's teeth begin to gnash!



Coloured balls he brings as a gift,
Says, "Toss them all without a twist!"
Granny blushes and feels quite shy,
That she has this lovely gift to try!



Grandfather now sleeps through the night,
Granny juggles till the morning light!
Her shadow dances on the curtain,
She's the best, I am certain!



Dear Reader,

Have you ever seen jugglers
in a circus?

What do they throw in the air?

Do you think it is possible to
juggle with items like the ones
used by this granny?



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**Meet a bright and playful grandmother.
She loves to juggle!**

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